



## **JOHN HAY NWR CCP PLANNING TEAM, PARTNER, AND PUBLIC ISSUES**

### **Habitat and Species Management**

- Refuge establishing purpose is migratory birds so management needs to be compatible as well as provide a diversity of habitats and highlight unique resources (large pines and meadows) in regional context.
- Large undeveloped Lake Sunapee shoreline important
- Beach Brook important for water quality and providing habitat for rainbow smelt and brook trout, and wildlife corridor
- Habitat management needs to be done in a regional context in view of larger, conserved regional landscape
- Management needs to reflect purposes for which Hay Refuge was established
- Viewshed and early successional habitat maintenance important

### **Visitor Use and Outreach**

- Partnership opportunities with local organizations-The Fells, SPNHF could help to fulfill six priority uses
- Public use analysis/compatibility analysis and determinations need to be updated to assess 6 priority uses
- Education opportunities to partner with The Fells, Forest Society, and LSPA for educational programming and field trips
  - Need to communicate information on JHNWR history and stewardship as well as it's part in the National Wildlife Refuge System and Connecticut River watershed

### **Refuge Administration and Staffing**



## U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

- Need for additional staff at gatehouse and law enforcement and visitor services presence
- Partnership opportunities identified